

HUNDREDS OF
TROLLEY SUITS.Wholesale Violations of the
Life-Saving Fender Law
to Be Prosecuted.

FINE OF \$25 FOR EACH OFFENSE

The Ordinance Does Not Make
Any Provision for Criminal
Actions.

CANNOT SEIZE CARS BY FORCE.

May Ask for an Injunction Hereafter
to Restrain the Companies from
Operating Lines.

Corporation Counsel McDonald, of Brooklyn, announced to-day that several hundred suits would be begun in behalf of the city against the various trolley railroad companies to recover \$25, the amount fixed for each violation of the city ordinance, which took effect yesterday, and which requires the companies to equip their cars with life-saving fenders that extend within three inches of the ground.

Mr. McDonald said Chief Trolley Inspector Franklin and his fifteen assistants had been sent to Fulton Ferry and other places this morning to secure evidence of the wholesale violation of the law. Mr. McDonald also said that blank forms of complaints had been sent to the printer, with instructions to rush the work. The suits will be brought in the justice's courts.

"Will any criminal action be taken against the managers of the railroads?" he was asked.

"Not just at present. In fact, we do not see how we can, as the ordinance does not prescribe any punishment beyond the fine allowed to."

"Our inspectors," continued Mr. McDonald, "have been instructed to take the number of every car being operated without a fender, and when any device is attached to the platform, they are to measure the distance between it and the ground."

"Do you contemplate following the advice of a lawyer printed in 'The World' to-day, who says that the companies might be reached if the city seized some of their cars on the ground that they were public nuisances?"

"All our movements in this matter must be according to law. There is no authority whereby we can seize a car which we could go in and seize a railroad company's rolling stock."

"How about asking the Supreme Court for an injunction to restrain the companies from operating their cars unless they comply with the law by putting fenders on their cars?"

"That has been under discussion. We think, however, that as the validity of the ordinance is being attacked it would be better to bring these suits to recover the amount of the fine. If the ordinance is upheld, and we recover the penalty, it will then be possible to go into court with a good case, if the companies fail to come to terms."

THE SEVENTH IN CAMP.

Gov. Morton Will Visit the Boys
To-morrow.

STATE CAMP, PEESKILL, N. Y., June 25.—The Seventh Regiment command, to do good work in the State Camp, to-day, this morning was cool and cloudy.

Company D, commanded by Capt. Flak, and Company H, commanded by Capt. Lydenker, at the early morning drill illustrated the taking of a position for assault. One company was posted in the old fire line, and the other companies attempted to take the pit.

After maneuvering, the companies changed places, and the companies were watched, and after the exhibition Gen. Huy pointed out the weak spots in the plan of the attack.

The general health of the camp is good. Private James B. Covington, of Company E, who had his left leg injured while swimming in the Hudson yesterday, is now recovering.

To-morrow will be Governor's day, and preparations are being made for the reception of the Governor and his family, who are expected to arrive about noon, when the Governor's salute will be fired.

GEN. TOMPKINS'S NOTE.

Save It for Rent, and Admits He
Had No Legal Right to Do So.

Judge Ehrlich, in City Court, this morning, dismissed the case of the Germania Life Insurance Company against Gen. Charles H. Tompkins, President of the Diamond Rock Boring Company.

Gen. Tompkins occupied a suite in the St. George apartment-house on Stuyvesant Square, owned by the plaintiffs.

He gave a note for six months' rent for \$250, and signed the name of the Germania Life Insurance Company. The note went to protest, and on being presented to the general for payment he repudiated it.

In court this morning he admitted signing the note, but said while he could execute such notes for the company, he had no authority to sign them for his personal use.

Judge Ehrlich dismissed the case, saying the plaintiffs would have to obtain relief in a criminal or another civil action.

Chinamen Go to Law.

Twenty-five Chinamen from Chinatown accompanied their friends to St. John's and Yonkers to Justice Newburger's part of the City Court to-day. The three were plaintiffs in a suit against Edward G. Russell, the owner of the premises 12 Henry street, who is proprietor of a restaurant at that number and claim that Russell in September last boarded the Chinamen and has since refused to surrender to them their property. Russell alleges that they were in debt to him and that he was justified in withholding their property. The suit is for \$25, value of the contents of the store.

Coming Events.

A vaudeville entertainment will be given by the Porters' Club of Newark, N. J., at the club-house this evening at 8:15 o'clock. Among the artists who will positively appear are the Porters, Morris Heilich, Ferdinand, Redman, Brothers Bernal, Miss Annie Hart, William Jackson, Daily and the Cuban City Quartet, under the direction of Mr. Phil Russell.

Closing exercises of Public School No. 6, primary department, to-day at 3 P. M., and grammar department, Thursday, at 3 P. M.

First piano and games of the private coaches' association, to-day at 8:15 o'clock. The coaches' association, to-day at 8:15 o'clock. The coaches' association, to-day at 8:15 o'clock.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

FRAUD, SAYS HENRY.

ELLIOTT ON TRIAL.

Charities Commissioner Accuses the
Old Board of Dishonesty.

Charities Commissioner Charles J. Henry, of Brooklyn, told the Assembly Investigating Committee this morning at its session in the Court-House, Brooklyn, that goods for the county buildings were now purchased from 50 per cent, to 200 per cent, cheaper than the legitimate predecessors of the present Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Henry also said that the goods received by the store-keepers' department were \$100,000 less during this year's administration of the present Board than by its predecessors. That is, too with 400 more inmates to provide for.

"Commissioner Henry," said Counselor Hugo Hirsch, inquirer-in-chief, "do you believe that the Department was honestly and efficiently conducted by your predecessors?"

"In comparison with our own, I say, no," was his reply.

The investigation opened by the recalling of Commissioner Adolph Sims.

He was questioned as to the contract for certain repairs. He recalled, he said, he had voted to disburse a number of employees from the Department soon after he became Commissioner because he did not believe they were worth what he could not remember.

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Q. Why was not the pay-roll of the Penitentiary signed by the Warren? A. Because the Warren is a contractor, and he is connected with an undertaking establishment, and that is why he was not allowed to sign the pay-roll.

Q. Did you ever see him at the penitentiary? A. No.

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DEBIT BUT NO CREDIT.

"Royal Havana Supplement's"

Books Are Very One-Sided.

Ticket-Holders Never Paid, but the
Am. B. N. Co. Got Over \$1,400.

Comstock Searching for the Principals
of the Alleged Lottery.

The books of "Gould & Co." of 96 and 98 Maiden lane, the apparent managers of the "Supplement to the Royal Havana," raided by Anthony Comstock, of the Society for the Suppression of Vice, show many curious things.

There is a debit book covering three years, but nothing in it to show that one penny has ever been paid out to any ticket holder in this alleged lottery.

There are entries showing that Feb. 8, 1894, \$114 was paid to the "Am. B. N. Co." 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